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~~CONFIDENTIAL~~2. Wismar (T49), 7 July 1948

a. The Lübschenstrasse barracks are fully occupied by a moto-mech unit, said to belong to an armored division scattered over various villages near the British Zone border. The barracks compound is surrounded by an infantry training area approximately three square kilometers in size. Training was in progress at this area on 7 July. Vehicles in the Wismar area, as far west as Grevesmühlen, bore the

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b. The Raiffeisen-Verband has taken over most of the supply buildings along the Wismar-Rostock railroad line, though one small section still contains fodder left behind by horse-drawn units which went to Schwerin in May.

c. The former military hospital, 75% destroyed, is being rebuilt.

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e. The shipyards are still being reconstructed. There are three work shifts, each numbering 500-700 men. The sole vessel observed was the Meteor, former German meteorological observation ship, now being overhauled.

f. The harbor appears to be used exclusively by commercial shipping. On 7 July, boxes of new electro motors and other machinery from Weisse Söhne, Halle, were being loaded on ships.

3. Rostock (081), 6 July 1948

a. Puttlitz Barracks, partially destroyed, houses an armored regiment, with vehicles [redacted] Type of tanks was not determined. Also partially destroyed, the Fusiliers Barracks holds a guard detail assigned to the komendatura and the Mecklenburg Police School.

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b. A repair shop unit, with cars [redacted] is located at the Warnemünde exit of Rostock. Soviet naval personnel employed in the shipyards have cars [redacted]

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c. The Neptun Werft is repairing two Soviet minesweepers, one German motor torpedo escort vessel, and three German torpedo boats. The former training ship Gorch Fock is being reequipped.

d. The Hainkel and Arado Werke on the Rostock cove have been completely destroyed. Buildings at the edge of town are used by the Raiffeisen-Verband to store machinery.

4. Warnemünde (082), 6 July 1948

a. East of the harbor exit are a signal center and a coast guard unit of approximately 500 men. The only vessels available for coast guard duty are luggers.

b. The shipyards are repairing the former Schwerin and the "Strength Through Joy" ship, Der Deutsche.

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c. Vehicles observed at the komendatura were [redacted]

5. Neustrelitz (U54), undated

Soviet billets are being shut off by high fences. Bridges in the lake area around Fürstenberg are only temporary ones.

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6. Cottbus (A57), 9 July 1948

a. According to laborers, there are now 40 or 50 fighters stationed at Cottbus airfield, where there also has been an increase in Soviet personnel accompanied by dependents. Workers now at Schönewald airfield (Z95) are to be transferred to Cottbus, where work (not described) is to begin in late July.

b. Troops stationed in the Sachsendorf barracks have been replaced by recruits. A MVD unit has been shifted to Dresden for further transfer of its personnel.

7. Lieberose (A49), unratet

The former SS training area in Lieberose, direction Beeskow, is being used by the Soviet Air Force for bomb release exercises. Former SS billets are occupied by political internees. No armor has been seen in this area.

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